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PATENT

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

KROCHTA, JOHN M. ET AL.

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Filed: June 11, 2001

For: METHODS OF REDUCING  
FRIABILITY OF CEREAL PRODUCTS,  
POTATO CHIPS, AND FREEZE-DRIED  
FOODS, OF INCREASING BOWL LIFE  
OF CEREAL PRODUCTS, AND OF  
DELAYING RANCIDITY OF NUTS

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 30, 2005, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.